

SESSION 2

The main purpose of the Holy Spirit

LET'S ASK JESUS:

John 14:16-18

John 14:26

John 15:26

John 16:13-15

Acts 1:8

HOW IT WORKED OUT IN ACTS:

Acts 2:4

Acts 4:31

IN THE LETTERS/TEACHINGS OF THE REST OF THE NT

Romans 8:28-29

Colossians 1:28-29

- ❖ *Questions?*
- ❖ *What is/was new to you?*
- ❖ *What difference does this make?*

This is crucial for all that follows. If we do not understand this main purpose of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we don't understand the Holy Spirit and his work in the church, in our lives and the world.

The main tool of the Holy Spirit

2 Peter 1:20-21

2 Timothy 3:15-17

Inspiration: *That supernatural influence of the Holy Spirit upon the Scripture writers which rendered their writings an accurate record of the revelation [of God, and] resulted in what they wrote being the Word of God. ("Christian Theology", Millard J. Erickson, p.199)*

SO THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THE AUTHOR BEHIND THE AUTHORS OF THE BIBLE.

Three points to consider here:

- It makes a difference if behind the authors of the Bible is a PERSON rather than some kind of POWER.
- This means that, as we read through the Bible, we can expect the later to clarify the earlier, and the earlier to contain "seeds" of the later.
- The Author behind the authors of the Bible is also the One in you!

Implications/applications

2 Timothy 3:15-17

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